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TAGS: AORG, UNDP, EAID, WFP, YE

SUBJ: US WHEAT DONATION TO WFP FOR YAR

REF: SANAA 312

1. UNDP DEPUTY RESREP LEGEROS (PROTECT STRICTLY)
VISITED ME FEBRUARY 26 TO EXPRESS SERIOUS CONCERN
ABOUT LATEST DEVELOPMENT IN US WHEAT DONATION COMMITTEE
CASE. UNDP TRANSPORT COMMITTEE HEADED BY ASST RES REP
ATTRASH IS UNDER STRONG PRESSURE FROM RES REP KOUWENHOVEN
AND WFP HEAD TAHIR TO TURN OVER ENTIRE UNDP CONTRIBUTION
FOR INTERNAL TRANSPORT COST (DOLS 108,000) TO YAR
CONFEDERATION OF YEMENI DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATIONS, RATHER
THAN TO AWARD CONTRACT UNDER COMPETITIVE BIDDING AS
PREVIOUSLY PLANNED. LEGEROS FEARS EFFORT TO TAKE
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SUPERVISION OF FOOD DISTRIBUTION OUT OF UNDP HANDS AS

COVER FOR FRAUDULENT PRACTICES.

2. LEGEROS UNDERSTANDS MOCK NOW PLANNING TO COME BY SHIP TO YEMEN VIA AQABA. HE ANXIOUS THAT MOCK ARRIVE HERE IN SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME, A FEW DAYS AT MOST, TO TAKE OVER FROM TAHIR. WE CONCUR STRONGLY AND REQUEST THAT DEPT AUTHORIZE FODAG TO MAKE SUCH RECOMMENDATION TO WFP. IN MEANTIME LEGEROS IS ADVISING ATTRASH TO STALL FINAL ACTION ON DECISION.

3. PLEASE ADVISE WFP REACTION SOONEST SO THAT I CAN CONVEY TO LEGEROS. NEWTON

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